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1. Attached hereto is consolidated GROSSBAHN report on subject which is in partial answer to request contained in paragraph 1 of reference.

2. Additional details learned on KAUDER's present activities will be forwarded as learned.

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(1) Ing. Richard KAUDER:

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P/23617,	5 "	"
P/23625,	6 "	"
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(2) Dr. Hugo KITTEL:

1464,	21 February	1949
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(3) Viktor ALTMANN:

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Subject: (Ing) Richard KAUBER

1. Ing. Richard KAUBER, residence Gross-Hein and Salzburg, Hotel Rupertine, Postgasse 10, formerly of St. Gilgen, was during the war chief of a group of German Abwehr, working independently and covering eastern and mainly the Balkan countries. KAUBER who at that time used the name KLATT and LAZAROVICH, was subordinated to KOB, commanded by Gen. ALONSO-VALBUENA; temporarily he was also directed by AIT Belgrade. Although he was dropped officially after some time because of Jewish descent, he went on working for German Abwehr and was first active in Sofia until 1944, later in Budapest and finally in Gorna, Hungary. He was also operating a line into Soviet Russia and held contact with high-ranking Soviet government (police bureau) officials; he had established these connections through the Russian emigrant (General) FURKUL. His activity was apparently greatly appreciated by Abwehr who paid him \$300. a day.
2. KAUBER's main collaborators and acquaintances were at that time:
Lt. COLIPA, aliases LONGINUS, LANGER, and DONG, then chief of staff and technical adviser to General FURKUL.
Br. Hans DEUTSCH, KAUBER's main collaborator in Sofia, now owner of a paper spinning mill in Vienna II, Untere Augartenstrasse 36. DEUTSCH's wife (now divorced) Yulia, originating from Estonia and speaking Russian fluently, was one of KAUBER's most capable radio operators.
Zoran KNOVIC, KAUBER's liaison to Serbian nationalists in Belgrade.
HARTUSCH (fma), presently at Glasenbach 49 near Salzburg, a former interpreter with German Abwehr in Bratislava.
Ing. Franz BERGLER, dob 14 June 1903 Vienna living in Kitzbuehel, Amalgasse, Mowerhaus, served during the war as "Sonderbeauftragter I Luft" in Bulgaria, Greece, Rumania, Yugoslavia, Hungary, and Slovakia. After his release from Camp Marston W. Ozz on 1 June 1946 he first lived at Salzburg and in spring 1949 moved to Kitzbuehel. For his present activity see below.

Adolf FISCH, a former German airforce officer and KAUDER's pilot during the war, now a business man in Salzburg, Johannstrasse 19.

Hans GOSTENSCHNIK, dob 7 February 1909 Graz, residing in Salzburg, Gabelsbergerstrasse 96. GOSTENSCHNIK was a member of AKF III Belgrade, but was used for small tasks only. After the war he became a business man in Salzburg and cashier with the V&N.

Lt. Col. GROHA (fnu), former chief of AKF Bratislava, presently employed with the Lins branch of Vienna Bundes-Bauverwaltung II. GROHA is said to hold connection with French intelligence.

Robert GRNES, no details known. GRNES was deported to Siberia in 1945.

Dr. J. HIRSCH, now residing in Cunningham, Hamilton Terrace, England. No further details are known.

Emil J. KALKUS, a wine dealer in Vienna XII, Vegagasse 10, originating from Bulgaria and still holding business connections with Bulgaria. During the war KALKUS was a purveyor for the German army.

Drago KIRILOV (possibly cover name), living in Como after the war.

Dr. Hugo KITTEL, dob 2 November 1898 Linzburg (GMR), Austrian citizen, single, Roman Catholic, owner of a trade agency in Salzburg, Leonhard von Neutschachstrasse 49. Originally KITTEL was a Polizeioberkommissar. After he was fired by the Nazis in 1938 he became employed by the Vienna printing press Gerold & Co. and later was chief of a branch of this firm in Budapest. He commenced working for Abwehr in summer 1943 and was transferred to Sofia where he became acquainted with KAUDER. Together with KAUDER he moved to Budapest in 1944. At the end of the war he was arrested by the Germans who suspected him of collaborating with the Western Allies. After the war he settled in Salzburg and became a business man. KITTEL is probably a homosexual. For his intelligence activity see below.

LONGES (phonetic; fnu), allegedly of Spanish origin, presently living in Innsbruck with his Austrian wife, was one of KAUDER's radio operators during the war.

Elise LEITENBERGER-OPAVSKY, dob 17 June 1919, St. Pölten, Austrian citizen, Roman Catholic, residing in Salzburg, Amerspergstrasse 47, was active, since 1940, in Bucharest for KAUDER's intelligence group. After the German retreat she was arrested and returned to Austria in February 1946. In 1947 she became editor with "Salzburger Nachrichten"; she has great personal influence on Dr. Gustav KRAVAVAL.

Professor Dr. Josef MATL, a Balkan expert and professor for Slavic languages at Graz University. During the war MATL was "Leitungsleiter" with German Abwehr.

Dr. Adalbert PROSCHKO, dob 4 December 1899, Mallain, Austrian citizen, married, Roman Catholic, residing in Salzburg, Haigasse 33/III. PROSCHKO was a member of German Abwehr. His wife Anna, nee KINDES, dob 1 November 1899 in Archangelak, was Prof. Dr. Josef MATL's secretary (see above).

Stefan FERDINANDOVIC, KAUDER's adviser in Serbian political affairs.

Drago KROMANOV, Sofia representative of the Mittermaier trade firm, a cover enterprise of German Abwehr with branches in Istanbul, Budapest, Bratislava, and Bucharest. KROMANOV settled at Como after the war.

TOPOV (Zsu), KAUDER's liaison to Bulgarian officers circles.

Vesko RADOVIC, residing in Como, Via Rusconi 6, in November 1946, son-in-law of Drago TOPOV, a wine dealer in Berlin, Yugoslavia. RADOVIC worked for KAUDER in BULGARIAN where he intercepted Vienna-Belgrade courier mail.

KOSSEL (Zsu) had organized for KAUDER a special air courier service when he, KOSSEL, was "Leitungsleiter Lufpost" with German Luftwaffe in Vienna. Presently he holds a leading position with BAS (office in Germany, address unknown).

Karl KOTIKI, during the war an employee with Abwehr III in Vienna, now owner of an insecticide firm in Vienna I, Hainfeldgasse 11, and Salzburg, Stauffenstrasse 18.

Pavel PAVLOV (phonetic), chief of the Bulgarian state police in Sofia during the war, now living in Rome.

Major Robert WRABEL, a former Austrian Condarmory officer and aide to Emil FET, Austrian Sicherheitsminister under DOERFLINGER. During the war WRABEL was an officer with AO III in Bratislava. After the war he became a business partner to Hans DOETENSONNIK (see above) and later received a job with Salzburg Land Government (Administration of German Property).

AL. KRAL (fmu), no details known, was deported to Liberia in 1945.

The following persons are believed to have come into contact with KAUFMAN during the latter's activity with Abwehr:

LEONSEY (fmu), during the war a major with the German Air Ministry, ex-business man.

Anton HASLINGER, alias Rudolf KATZNER, dob 13 September 1909 in Vienna, Austrian citizen, Roman Catholic, divorced, present address not known.

LEE KAKULIA, dob 20 June 1906 in Antaisi, Georgia, USSR, Orthodox, single, stateless, residing in Salzburg, Muerergasse 25b.

Dr. Johann LOOS, dob 29 September 1896 in Vienna, residing in Salzburg, Mayburgerkai 52, employee with the Salzburg branch of Wiener Allgemeine Versicherungsgesellschaft. LOOS was a Polizeioberkommissar in Vienna and member of the Nazi party. During the war he served with the secret field police, last holding chief of Feldpolizei Sudost, Muerersgasse 25b.

(Dr) August S. KROV (ZV KROV), living in Leoben, Styria; no details known.

3. During the final stage of the war KAUFMAN was arrested in Vienna because he was suspected of collaboration with the Allies. Some of his collaborators, among them Dr. Hugo KITTEL and Robert GRENZ, were also arrested. The investigations were held by Abwehr Major KLAUSNITZER (fmu). KAUFMAN was transferred to Salzburg where he was kept under arrest until the end of the war. According to his own statement he then resumed intelligence work for the U.S.A. (OSS and CIC). In winter 1945/6 KAUFMAN was to be arrested by a number of Soviets disguised as U.S. military police men; when they arrived at KAUFMAN's apartment they were disarmed by American personnel, because KAUFMAN had received knowledge about this plan.

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To avoid further troubles with the Russians, KAUDER was ordered to move to Munich; here, he was allegedly interned for a longer period because of former collaboration with the Soviets.

4. After his return to Salzburg, in 1946, or early in 1947, KAUDER limited his intelligence connections to a loose contact with CIC. He established a technical bureau at Stauffenstrasse 18/1 and, in summer 1949, moved to Schwarzstrasse 3, tel. none 4582. He then founded the trade agency "EMKA", which is not registered with the Salzburg commercial court. His office serves as a sales center for Burmester Gaustoff G.m.b.H., of Salzburg-Bismors. He had little success and is in permanent need of money, because he spends large sums, for instance for his two friends Igolja KALKAN, dob 26 March 1916 in Budapest, Hungarian citizen, formerly residing in Gross-Gleiss, called by KAUDER "his wife", and Mrs. KANN (fnu), widow of a Nazi Gaustalleiter, whom KAUDER had helped saving her children's property. Mrs. KANN lives at Zelligen.
5. Possibly in winter 1948, KIPTEL resumed his former intelligence work for SIS. Through KIPTEL, KAUDER maintains his connections with the British during the war, he became acquainted with Dr. Viktor ALTMANN, a former Austrian police official who emigrated to Great Britain and during the war served with British Military Intelligence, last ranking lieutenant colonel. ALTMANN was first assigned to the intelligence staff Headarters Berlin, later to the public safety branch General Headquarters Rome. ALTMANN regularly visited both KAUDER and KIPTEL in Salzburg. He has dropped his connections with KIPTEL but still holds contact with KAUDER. ALTMANN is said to have left British and joined Israeli intelligence besides. KAUDER still maintains relations with CIC, especially with Mr. RINGER and Mr. BAER.
6. KAUDER claims to run two different intelligence lines into USSR, one via Bulgaria, the other via Syria. This was declared by him late in July 1952. His intermediaries were Emil J. KALKUS (see para. 2) and several Bulgarian officers who had received a special training in USSR. Reports were received by him partly via Danube shipping. Apparently upon order by ALTMANN, KAUDER - in summer 1952 - tried to send one ALFFANO (clear name probably Alexander

322441) to the 120th East, to ethe. with his partner
[redacted] and [redacted] girl concert group as cover. STAFANO
is holder of two Italian passports to the names Alexander
[redacted] and Alessio [redacted]. The plan appears to have failed;
STAFANO still lives in Ellsborg, Pendergast Stadt
Weggenburg, Bernstrasse 14.

7. Late In October 1949 - Mr. [redacted] Division of Intelligence
Agent George [redacted] Chief, Disruption Section, Captain A. CANAVAL,
editor-in-chief of "Altbürger" from [redacted] founded
and led by him [redacted] news to establish and operate
an industrial intelligence organization which would first
work for Geva and later on for the Fatherland Bund-
wehr. KAUERMAN associated with CANAVAL, right-hand man of
the foreign affiliate's press bureau and allegedly also
with [redacted] Minister [redacted] Banker [redacted] teacher
Ferdinand [redacted]. For the purpose stated he demanded a
monthly sum of \$5,000., but was only given \$10,000
which were paid to Alsbürger Volksbank for his account.
GeVR finally dropped the plan allegedly because it had
been given too much publicity, but agreed to return to
this subject later.
8. The persons KAUERMAN is presently collaborating with
are not fully known. He is believed to still hold contact
with Brago THOMASOV, Brago MIKLOV, Dr. OGGILO, Prof. MALL,
Lt. Col. GORNA, Dr. J. HINGCH, also [redacted] SCHULMANN-VOLKY,
Ing. SEYER, Dr. Hans BOOS, Robert [redacted], [redacted]
[redacted] (for all these persons see page 2). [redacted]
known to hold contact with Charles [redacted] [redacted] do
24 March 1914 Vienna, formerly Austrian, now British
citizen, allegedly a major, living in London. Holder of
British passport 1646484, who appears to be one of Viktor
KAUERMAN's main collaborators and to hold connection also
with KAUERMAN and MITTEL. The source of SCHULER's income
is not known; he claims to be supported by his friend
Friedrich [redacted] und TALLI, who now lives in the U.S.A.
Former contacts with Georg GE. ANZICIF, Fritz [redacted]
(now in Vienna) and June GOSTAR-SCHNIK appear to have
loosened. Further collaborators are Fiedl [redacted] [redacted]
Lawyer, reb 2 April 1916 in [redacted], Yugoslavia, unmarried,
protestant, parents Peter and Sophie, residing in Salzburg.
Max [redacted] 3 c/o Fr. W. HALL; socialist journalist (Dr.)
Karl [redacted] [redacted]; possibly, KAUERMAN's traveling salesman
MAHREMAN (fnm), residing in St. Gilgen, a former German
airforce officer and, temporarily, member of SKORZENY's
special detachment.

9. In addition hereto KAUDER holds connection to Salzburg police officials Dr. FROSCHEO (see para. 2) and Polizeioberkommissar Dr. Uthaler.

10. KAUDER permanently believes himself threatened by the Soviets. He repeatedly claimed to have been warned by CIC during the past years. Especially his former collaborator Dr. Hans DEUTSCH (para. 2) is highly suspected by KAUDER of working for the Soviets and of having sent his (DEUTSCH's) mother and bookkeeper to Salzburg for spying him out. The same applies to KAUDER's illegitimate son Hans KAUDER, of Vienna III, Landstrasser Quartel 35/8, who, according to KAUDER, was described to KAUDER as an MVD agent by CIC. In summer 1949 and later, KAUDER was repeatedly approached by one Heins Olav von DIEMEL, an actor known also under the name Anton SCHLECHT, who made business proposals to KAUDER. KAUDER felt sure that DIEMEL was sent to him by the Communist Otto REGUS group for spying him out. In fact, DIEMEL was a member of the REGUS group. A similar attempt was made by one Franz HARANG, born 1 July 1927 in Schilna, Vorarlberg, Austrian citizen, residing in Salzburg, Pegusgasse 11, a Soviet agent and member of the Communist peace council, who proposed to KAUDER business partnership with USIA by intermediation of Jakob KIR, a Salzburg Communist party functionary who holds a wholesale license for steel products and mineral oils. KAUDER declined.

11. At present, KAUDER is manager at Hotel Rupertshof, Salzburg, Rupertsgasse 10. He plans to have political refugees identified by Salzburg police, that were placed at Rupertshof by CIC without police registration.